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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests an extension of two (2) months in the period to respond to the Final Office Action in the above-identified application that was mailed on March 24, 2006.

Attached is a check in the amount of \$225 for the extension fee. The Director is hereby authorized to charge or credit any fees to Bracewell & Giuliani LLP, Deposit Account No. 50-0259 (Order No. 081421.000002).

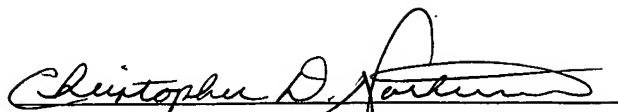
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